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REQUEST FOR CONCURRENCE THAT SPECIFIC DEBRIS IS NO LONGER CONTAMINATED WITH HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

In its letter dated July 19, 2002 (Liebendorfer to Di Sanza), the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) suggested it could make a regulatory determination as to the classification of gloveboxes if the Rocky Flats Field Office (RFFO) were to remove or change the existing pre-determination as hazardous waste found in the Rocky Flats Cleanup Agreement Standard Operating Protocol (RSOP) for Facility Component Removal, Size Reduction, and Decontamination Activities.

In a letter to the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (enclosure dated August 15, 2002), the RFFO has submitted changes to the RSOP (enclosure 2) we think provide the necessary information for NDEP to determine that gloveboxes received at the NTS from Rocky Flats are not hazardous waste. It is our understanding of the Rocky Flats Agreement that this "minor modification" is now effective because more than seven days have passed without a formal objection from the state of Colorado.

If NDEP makes the non-hazardous determination, we will proceed to process the waste profile RFFO has submitted to the Waste Acceptance Review Panel. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Michael O. Giblin at (702) 295-2011.

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Enclosures: As stated

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